

# REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

**Title of Publication:** Windtalkers: Director's Cut

**Other Known Title:** Windtalkers - Extended Edition

**Format:** DVD

**Director/Author:** John Woo

**Producer/Publisher:** John Woo

**Country of Origin:** USA

**Language:** English, Navajo, Japanese, with English subtitles

**Applicant:** The Film and Video Labelling Body Inc.

**Distributor:** Sony Pictures Home Entertainment

<b>Classification:</b>	Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 16 years.
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**Descriptive Note:** Depicts graphic and realistic war scenes.

**Display Conditions:** Nil

**Date of entry in Register:** 14 August 2006

**Date of direction to issue a label:** 11 August 2006

**OFLC No:** 601701

**Unexcised version of publication:**

	Component	Running time
<b>Menu:</b>	Play Play With Introduction Scene Selection Language Options Audio Commentaries	
<b>Feature:</b>	Windtalkers: Director's Cut	147.14
<b>Other timed components:</b>	Director's Introduction	0.48
<b>Other components:</b>	MGM DVD Notice Anti Piracy Notice Copyright Warning Notices	
<b>Total running time:</b>		148.02

**Excisions:**

No Excisions Recommended

**Reasons for excisions:**

Not Applicable

**Summary of reasons  
for classification:**

The DVD *Windtalkers: Director's Cut* is classified as:

Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 16 years.

The feature on the DVD is an extended version of a 35mm film released in New Zealand in 2002. The original version was classified by the Office of Film and Literature Classification as Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 16 years with the descriptive note "Contains graphic and realistic war scenes" (OLFC 200706, registered 28 May 2002). The violence in the extended version is much the same as in the original, but there is more of it. The dominant effect of both versions of the feature is a harrowing, spectacular and graphic account of war.

As well as extended footage in the feature, the DVD has some notices and a very short introduction to the feature by director John Woo. The additional material on the DVD does not provide grounds to alter the classification given to the original publication.